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PSALMS.

PSALM XVI.

 God is of mine inheritance and cup the portion sure;
 The lot that fallen is to me thou dost maintain secure.

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- 2. Unto me happily the lines in pleasant places fell; Yea, the inheritance I have in beauty doth excel.
- 3. I bless the Lord, because he doth by counsel me conduct;
 And in the seasons of the night my reins do me instruct.
- 4. Before me still the Lord I set:
 sith it is so that he
 Doth ever stand at my right hand,
 I shall not moved be.
- Because of this my heart is glad, and joy shall be exprest
 Ev'n by my glory; and my flesh in confidence shall rest.
- Because my soul unto the grave shall not be left by thee;
 And thou wilt not thine Holy One corruption give to see.
- 7. Thou wilt me shew the path of life:
 of joys there is full store
 Before thy face; at thy right hand
 are pleasures evermore.

PSALM XIX.

1. God's law is perfect, and converts the soul in sin that lies:
God's testimony is most sure, and makes the simple wise.

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3. Unspotted is the fear of God, and doth endure for ever: The judgments of the Lord are true and righteous altogether.

 They more than gold, yea, much fine gold, to be desired are:
 Than honey, honey from the comb that droppeth, sweeter far.

 Moreover, they thy servant warn how he his life should frame:
 A great reward provided is for them that keep the same.

3. PSALM XXIII.

- The Lord's my shepherd, I'll not want.
 He makes me down to lie
 In pastures green: he leadeth me
 the quiet waters by.
- 2. My soul he doth restore again; and me to walk doth make Within the paths of righteousness, ev'n for his own name's sake.
- Yea, though I walk in death's dark vale, yet will I fear none ill:
 For thou art with me; and thy rod and staff me comfort still.
- My table thou hast furnished in presence of my foes;
 My head thou dost with oil anoint, and my cup overflows.
- Goodness and mercy all my life shall surely follow me:
 And in God's house for evermore my dwelling-place shall be,

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PSALM XXIV.

 Ye gates, lift up your heads on high; ye doors that last for aye,
 Be lifted up, that so the King of glory enter may.

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- But who of glory is the King?
 The mighty Lord is this;
 Ev'n that same Lord, that great in might and strong in battle is.
- Ye gates, lift up your heads; ye doors, doors that do last for aye,
 Be lifted up, that so the King of glory enter may.
- 4. But who is he that is the King of glory? who is this?
 The Lord of hosts, and none but he, the King of glory is.

PSALM XXV.

- Shew me thy ways, O Lord; thy paths, O teach thou me: And do thou lead me in thy truth, therein my teacher be:
- 2. For thou art God that dost to me salvation send, And I upon thee all the day expecting do attend.
- 3. Thy tender mercies, Lord,
 I pray thee to remember,
 And loving-kindnesses; for they
 have been of old for ever.
- My sins and faults of youth do thou, O Lord, forget: After thy mercy think on me, and for thy goodness great.
- God good and upright is:

 the way he'll sinners show.

 The meek in judgment he will guide,

 and make his path to know.

6. The whole paths of the Lord are truth and mercy sure,
To those that do his cov'nant keep, and testimonies pure.

6. PSALM XXVII.

- The Lord's my light and saving health, who shall make me dismay'd?
 My life's strength is the Lord, of whom then shall I be afraid?
- Against me though an host encamp, my heart yet fearless is:
 Though war against me rise, I will be confident in this.
- One thing I of the Lord desir'd, and will seek to obtain, That all days of my life I may within God's house remain;
- That I the beauty of the Lord behold may and admire, And that I in his holy place may rev'rently enquire.
- For he in his pavilion shall me hide in evil days;
 In secret of his tent me hide, and on a rock me raise.

7. PSALM XXXIV.

- God will I bless all times; his praise my mouth shall still express.
 My soul shall boast in God: the meek shall hear with joyfulness.
- Extol the Lord with me, let us exalt his name together.
 I sought the Lord, he heard, and did me from all fears deliver.
- 3. The angel of the Lord encamps, and round encompasseth All those about that do him fear, and them delivereth.

- O taste and see that God is good:
 who trusts in him is bless'd.
 Fear God, his saints: none that him fear shall be with want oppress'd
- The lions young may hungry be, and they may lack their food: But they that truly seek the Lord shall not lack any good.

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PSALM XXXVI.

- Thy mercy, Lord, is in the heav'ns; thy truth doth reach the clouds: Thy justice is like mountains great; thy judgments deep as floods:
- Lord, thou preservest man and beast.
 How precious is thy grace!
 Therefore in shadow of thy wings men's sons their trust shall place.
- 3. They with the fatness of thy house shall be well satisfied;
 From rivers of thy pleasures thou wilt drink to them provide.
- 4. Because of life the fountain pure remains alone with thee; And in that purest light of thine we clearly light shall see.

PSALM XL.

- I waited for the Lord my God, and patiently did bear;
 At length to me he did incline my voice and cry to hear.
- 2. He took me from a fearful pit, and from the miry clay, And on a rock he set my feet, establishing my way.
- He put a new song in my mouth, our God to magnify:
 Many shall see it, and shall fear, and on the Lord rely.

4. O blessed is the man whose trust upon the Lord relies;
Respecting not the proud, nor such as turn aside to lies.

10. PSALM XLIII.

- 1. O send thy light forth and thy truth; let them be guides to me,
 And bring me to thine holy hill,
 ev'n where thy dwellings be.
- Then will I to God's altar go, to God my chiefest joy: Yea, God, my God, thy name to praise my harp I will employ.
- 3. Why art thou then cast down, my soul? what should discourage thee? And why with vexing thoughts are thou disquieted in me?
- Still trust in God; for him to praise good cause I yet shall have: He of my count nance is the health, my God that doth me save.

11. PSALM XLVI.

- God is our refuge and our strength, in straits a present aid;
 Therefore, although the earth remove, we will not be afraid:
- Though hills amidst the seas be cast;
 Though waters roaring make,
 And troubled be; yea though the hills
 by swelling seas do shake.
- 3. A river is, whose streams do glad. the city of our God;
 The boly place wherein the Lord most high hath his abode.
- God in the midst of her doth dwell; nothing shall her remove:
 The Lord to her an helper will, and that right early, prove.

- 5. The heathen rag'd tumultuously, the kingdoms moved were: The Lord God uttered his voice, the earth did melt for fear.
- The Lord of hosts upon our side doth constantly remain:
 The God of Jacob's our refuge, us safely to maintain.

12. PSALM LI.

- After thy loving-kindness, Lord, have mercy upon me:
 For thy compassions great, blot out all mine iniquity.
- Me cleanse from sin, and th'roughly wash from mine iniquity:
 For my transgressions I confess; my sin I ever see.
- Do thou with hyssop sprinkle me.
 I shall be cleansed so;
 Yea, wash thou me, and then I shall be whiter than the snow.
- Of gladness and of joyfulness make me to hear the voice;
 That so these very bones which thou hast broken may rejoice.
- All mine iniquities blot out, thy face hide from my sin.
 Create a clean heart, Lord, renew a right spirit me within.
- Cast me not from thy sight, nor take thy Holy Spirit away.
 Restore me thy salvation's joy; with thy free Spirit me stay.
- 7. Then will I teach thy ways unto those that transgressors be; And those that sinners are shall then be turned unto thee.

13. PSALM LXI.

- O God, give ear unto my cry, unto my pray'r attend.
 From th' utmost corner of the land my cry to thee I'll send.
- What time my heart is overwhelm'd, and in perplexity,
 Do thou me lead unto the Rock that higher is than I.
- 3. For thou hast for my refuge been a shelter by thy pow'r; And for defence against my foes thou hast been a strong tow'r.
- Within thy tabernacle I
 for ever will abide;
 And under covert of thy wings
 with confidence me hide.

14. PSALM LXIII.

- Lord, thee my God, I'll early seek:
 my soul doth thirst for thee;
 My flesh longs in a dry parch'd land,
 wherein no waters be:
- That I thy power may behold. and brightness of thy face, As I have seen thee heretofore within thy holy place.
- Since better is thy love than life, my lips thee praise shall give.
 I in thy name will lift my hands, and bless thee while I live.
- Ev'n as with marrow and with fat my soul shall filled be: Then shall my mouth with joyful lips sing praises unto thee:
- When I do thee upon my bed remember with delight,
 And when on thee I meditate in watches of the night.

 In shadow of thy wings I'll joy; for thou mine help hast been.
 My soul thee follows hard; and me thy right hand doth sustain.

15. PSALM LXV.

- Praise waits for thee in Sion, Lord:
 to thee vows paid shall be.
 O thou that hearer art of pray'r,
 all flesh shall come to thee.
- 2. Iniquities, I must confess,
 prevail against me do:
 But as for our transgressions,
 them purge away shalt thou.
- 3. Bless'd is the man whom thou dost choose, and mak'st approach to thee,

 That he within thy courts, O Lord,
 may still a dweller be:
- We surely shall be satisfy'd with thy abundant grace,
 And with the goodness of thy house, ev'n of thy holy place.

16. PSALM LXVII.

- Lord, bless and pity us, shine on us with thy face: That th' earth thy way, and nations all may know thy saving grace.
- Let peoples praise thee, Lord; let peoples all thee praise.
 O let the nations all be glad, in songs their voices raise:
- Thou'lt justly peoples judge, on earth rule nations all.
 Let peoples praise thee, Lord; let them praise thee, both great and small.
- The earth her fruit shall yield, our God shall blessing send.
 God shall us bless; men shall him fear unto earth's utmost end.

17. PSALM LXVIII.

- God's chariots twenty thousand are, thousands on thousands strong;
 Sinai is in the holy place, The Lord is them among.
- Thou hast, O Lord, most glorious, ascended up on high;
 And in triumph victorious led captive captivity:
- 3. Thou hast received gifts for men, for such as did rebel;
 Yea, ev'n for them, that God the Lord in midst of them might dwell.
- Bless'd be the Lord, who is to us of our salvation God;
 Who daily with his benefits us plenteously doth load.
- He of salvation is the God, who is our God most strong;
 And unto God the Lord from death the issues do belong.

18. PSALM LXXII.

- O Lord, thy judgments give the king, his son thy righteousness.
 With right he shall thy people judge, thy poor with uprightness.
- 2. The lofty mountains shall bring forth unto the people peace;
 Likewise the little hills the same
 Shall do by righteousness.
- 3. The people's poor ones he shall judge, the needy's children save; And those shall he in pieces break who them oppressed have.
- His large and great dominion shall from sea to sea extend:
 It from the river shall reach forth unto earth's utmost end,

- The kings of Tarshish, and the isles, to him shall presents bring;
 And unto him shall offer gifts
 Sheba's and Seba's king.
- Yea, all the mighty kings on earth before him down shall fall;
 Aud all the nations of the world do service to him shall.

19. PSALM LXXII.-Second Portion.

- Of corn an handful in the earth on tops of mountains high, With prosp'rous fruit shall shake, like trees on Lebanon that be.
- 2. The city shall be flourishing, her citizens abound In number shall, like to the grass that grows upon the ground.
- 3. His name for ever shall endure;
 last like the sun it shall:
 Men shall be bless'd in him, and bless'd
 all nations shall him call.
- Now blessed be the Lord our God, the God of Israel,
 For he alone doth wondrous works: in glory that excel.
- And blessed be his glorious name to all eternity:
 The whole earth let his glory fill.
 Amen, so let it be.

20. PSALM LXXXIV.

- How lovely is thy dwelling-place,
 O Lord of hosts, to me!
 The tabernacles of thy grace
 how pleasant, Lord, they be!
- My thirsty soul longs veh'mently, yea, faints, thy courts to see:
 My very heart and flesh cry out, O living God, for thee.

- Bless'd are they in thy house that dwell, they ever give thee praise.
 Bless'd is the man whose strength thou art, in whose heart are thy ways.
- Who as they pass through Baca's vale, make it a place of springs;
 Also the rain that falleth down rich blessing to it brings.
- So they from strength unwearied go still forward unto strength, Until in Sion they appear before the Lord at length.

21. PSALM LXXXVII.

- Upon the hills of holiness
 he his foundation sets.
 God, more than Jacob's dwellings all,
 delights in Sion's gates.
- Things glorious are said of thee, thou city of the Lord.
 Rahab and Babel I, as those that know me, will record:
- 3. Behold ev'n Tyrus, and with it the land of Palestine, And likewise Ethiopia; this man was born therein.
- And it of Sion shall be said,
 This man and that man there
 Was born; and he that is most High himself shall stablish her.
- When God the people writes, he'll count that this man born was there.
 There be that sing and play; and all my well-springs in thee are.

22. PSALM LXXXIX.

 Justice and judgment of thy throne are made the dwelling-place;
 Mercy, accompanied with truth, shall go before thy face.

- O greatly bless'd the people are the joyful sound that know;
 In brightness of thy face, O Lord, they ever on shall go.
- 3. They in thy name shall all the day rejoice exceedingly;
 And in thy righteousness shall they exalted be on high.
- 4. Because the glory of their strength doth only stand in thee;
 And in thy favour shall our horn and pow'r exalted be.
- For to the Lord belongs our shield that doth us safety bring: And unto Israel's Holy One the man that is our King.

23. PSALM XC.

- Lord, thou hast been our dwelling-place in generations all.
 Before thou ever hadst brought forth the mountains great or small;
- Ere ever thou hadst formed the earth.
 and all the world abroad;
 Ev'n thou from everlasting art
 to everlasting God.
- O with thy tender mercies, Lord, us early satisfy;
 So we rejoice shall all our days, and still be glad in thee.
- According as the days have been, wherein we grief have had,
 And years wherein we ill have seen, so do thou make us glad.
- O let thy work and pow'r appear thy servants' face before;
 And shew unto their children dear thy glory evermore;

6. And let the beauty of the Lord our God be us upon: And our hands' works establish thou, establish them each one.

24. PSALM XCI.

- He that doth in the secret place of the most High reside, Under the shade of him that is th' Almighty shall abide.
- I of the Lord my God will say,
 He is my refuge still,
 He is my fortress, and my God,
 and in him trust I will.
- 3. Assuredly he shall thee save, and give deliverance Both from the fowler's snare, and from the noisome pestilence.
- His feathers shall thee hide; thy trust under his wings shall be: His faithfulness shall be a shield and buckler unto thee.
- Thou shalt not need to be afraid for terrors of the night;
 Nor for the arrow that doth fly by day, while it is light;
- Nor for the pestilence, that walks in darkness secretly;
 Nor for destruction, that doth waste at noon-day openly.

25. PSALM XCII.

- To render thanks unto the Lord it is a comely thing, And to thy name, O thou most High, due praise aloud to sing.
- 2. Thy loving-kindness to shew forth when shines the morning light; And to declare thy faithfulness with pleasure ev'ry night,

- Upon a ten-stringed instrument, upon the psaltery, And on the harp with solemn sound, and grave sweet melody.
- For thou, Lord, by thy mighty deeds hast gladness to me brought;
 And I will triumph in the works which by thine hands are wrought.

26. PSALM XCIII.

- The Lord doth reign, and cloth'd is he
 with majesty most bright;
 His works do shew him cloth'd to be,
 and girt about with might.
- The world is also stablished, that it cannot depart.
 Thy throne is fix'd of old, and thou from everlasting art.
- 3. The floods, O Lord, have lifted up, they lifted up their voice; The floods have lifted up their waves, and made a mighty noise.
- 4. But yet the Lord, that is on high, is more of might by far Than noise of many waters is, or great sea-billows are.
- 5. Thy testimonies ev'ry one in faithfulness excel; And holiness for ever, Lord, thine house becometh well.

27. PSALM XCV.

- O come, let us sing to the Lord : come, let us ev'ry one
 A joyful noise make to the Rock of our salvation.
- Let us before his presence come
 with praise and thankful voice;
 Let us sing psalms to him with grace,
 and make a joyful noise.

- For God, a great God, and great King above all gods he is.
 Depths of the earth are in his hand, the strength of hills is his.
- To him the spacious sea belongs for he the same did make;
 The dry land also from his hands its form at first did take.
- 5. O come, and let us worship him, let us bow down withal, And on our knees before the Lord our Maker let us fall.

28. PSALM XCVI.

- O sing a new song to the Lord: sing all the earth to God.
 To God sing, bless his name, shew still his saving health abroad.
- 2. Among the nations of the earth his glory do declare; And unto all the people show his works that wondrous are.
- For great's the Lord, and greatly he
 is to be magnify'd;
 Yea, worthy to be fear'd is he
 above all gods beside.
- 4. For all the gods are idols dumb, which blinded nations fear;
 But our God is the Lord, by whom the heav'ns created were.
- Great honour is before his face, and majesty divine;
 Strength is within his holy place, and there doth beauty shine.
- Do ye ascribe unto the Lord, of people ev'ry tribe, Glory do ye unto the Lord, and mighty pow'r ascribe.

PSALM XCVIII.

1. O sing a new song to the Lord, for wonders he hath done: His right hand and his holy arm him victory hath won.

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- 2. The Lord God his salvation hath caused to be known; His justice in the heathen's sight he openly hath shown.
- 3. He mindful of his grace and truth to Isr'el's house hath been; And the salvation of our God all ends of th' earth have seen.
- 4. Let all the earth unto the Lord send forth a joyful noise; Lift up your voice aloud to him, sing praises, and rejoice.
- 5. With harp, with harp, and voice of psalms, unto JEHOVAH sing: With trumpets, cornets, gladly sound before the Lord the King.
- 6. Let seas and all their fulness roar; the world, and dwellers there; Let floods clap hands, and let the hills together joy declare
- 7. Before the Lord; because he comes, to judge the earth comes he: He'll judge the world with righteousness, the nations uprightly.

30. PSALM C.

- 1. All people that on earth do dwell, sing to the Lord with cheerful voice. Him serve with mirth, his praise forth tell, come ye before him and rejoice.
- 2. Know that the Lord is God indeed; without our aid he did us make: We are his flock, he doth us feed, and for his sheep he doth us take,

- 3. O enter then his gates with praise, approach with joy his courts unto: Praise, laud, and bless his name always, for it is seemly so to do.
- For why? the Lord our God is good, his mercy is for ever sure;
 His truth at all times firmly stood, and shall from age to age endure.

PSALM CIL

- Thou shalt arise, and mercy yet thou to mount Sion shalt extend: Her time for favour which was set, behold, is now come to an end.
- Thy saints take pleasure in her stones, her very dust to them is dear.
 All heathen lands and kingly thrones on earth thy glorious name shall fear.
- God in his glory shall appear, when Sion he builds and repairs. He shall regard and lend his ear unto the needy's humble pray'rs:
- 4. Th' afflicted's pray'r he will not scorn.
 All times this shall be on record:
 And generations yet unborn
 shall praise and magnify the Lord.

32. PSALM CIII.—First Portion.

- O thou my soul, bless God the Lord; and all that in me is Be stirred up his holy name to magnify and bless.
- Bless, O my soul, the Lord thy God, and not forgetful be Of all his gracious benefits he hath bestow'd on thee.
- All thine iniquities who doth most graciously forgive:
 Who thy diseases all and pains doth heal, and thee relieve.

- 4. Who doth redeem thy life, that thou to death may'st not go down; Who thee with loving-kindness doth and tender mercies crown.
- Who with abundance of good things doth satisfy thy mouth;
 So that, ev'n as the eagle's age, renewed is thy youth.

33. PSALM CIII.—Second Portions

- The Lord our God is merciful, and he is gracious, Long-suffering, and slow to wrath, in mercy plenteous.
- He will not chide continually, nor keep his anger still.
 With us he dealt not as we sinn'd, nor did requite our ill.
- 3. For as the heaven in its height
 the earth surmounteth far;
 So great to those that do him fear
 his tender mercies are.
- 4. As far as east is distant from the west, so far hath he From us removed, in his love, all our iniquity.

34. PSALM CIII.—Third Portion.

- Such pity as a father hath unto his children dear;
 Like pity shews the Lord to such as worship him in fear.
- For he remembers we are dust, and he our frame well knows.
 Frail man, his days are like the grass, as flow'r in field he grows:
- 3. For over it the wind doth pass and it away is gone;
 And of the place where once it was it shall no more be known,

- 4. But unto them that do him fear God's mercy never ends; And to their children's children still his righteousness extends:
- To such as keep his covenant, and mindful are alway
 Of his commandments just and good, that they may them obey.

35. PSALM CX.

- The Lord did say unto my Lord, sit thou at my right hand, Until I make thy foes a stool, whereon thy feet may stand.
- 2. The Lord shall out of Sion send the rod of thy great pow'r; In midst of all thine enemies be thou the governor.
- 3. A willing people in thy day
 of pow'r shall come to thee,
 In holy beauties from morn's womb;
 thy youth like dew shall be.
- The Lord himself hath made an oath, and will repent him never, Of th' order of Melchisedec thou art a priest for ever.

36. PSALM CXV.

- O Aaron's house, trust in the Lord, their help and shield is he.
 Ye that fear God, trust in the Lord, their help and shield he'll be.
- The Lord of us hath mindful been, and he will bless us still:
 He will the house of Isr'el bless, bless Aaron's house he will.
- Both small and great, that fear the Lord, he will them surely bless.
 The Lord will you, you and your seed, aye more and more increase.

- O blessed are ye of the Lord, who made the earth and heav'n.
 The heav'ns are for the Lord. but earth he to men's sons hath giv'n.
- The dead, nor who to silence go, God's praise do not record.
 But henceforth we for ever will bless God. Praise ye the Lord.

37. PSALM CXVI.

- I'll of salvation take the cup, on God's name will I call:
 I'll pay my vows now to the Lord before his people all.
- Dear in God's sight is his saints' death.
 Thy servant, Lord, am I;
 Thy servant sure, thine handmaid's son:
 my bands thou didst untie.
- Thank-off'rings I to thee will give, and on God's name will call.
 I'll pay my vows now to the Lord before his people all;
- Within the courts of God's own house, within the midst of thee,
 O city of Jerusalem.
 Praise to the Lord give ye.

38. PSALM CVIII.

- O set ye open unto me the gates of righteousness Then will I enter into them, and I the Lord will bless.
- This is the gate of God, by it the just shall enter in.
 Thee will I praise, for thou me heard'st, and hast my safety been.
- That stone is made head corner-stone, which builders did despise:
 This is the doing of the Lord, and wondrous in our eyes.

- This is the day God made, in it we'll joy triumphantly.
 Save now, I pray thee, Lord; I pray, send now prosperity.
- Blessed is he in God's great name that cometh us to save:
 We, from the house which to the Lord pertains, you blessed have.

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PSALM CXXI.

- I to the hills will lift mine eyes, from whence doth come mine aid My safety cometh from the Lord, who heav'n and earth hath made.
- 2. Thy foot he'll not let slide, nor will he slumber that thee keeps. Behold, he that keeps Israel, he slumbers not, nor sleeps.
- 3. The Lord thee keeps, the Lord thy shade on thy right hand doth stay:
 The moon by night thee shall not smite, nor yet the sun by day.
- The Lord shall keep thy soul; he shall preserve thee from all ill.
 Henceforth thy going out and in God keep for ever will.

40 PSALM CXXI.—Another version.

- Unto the hills around do I lift up
 My longing eyes:
 Oh whence for me shall my salvation come,
 From whence arise?
 From God the Lord doth come my certain aid,
 From God the Lord, who heaven and earth hath made.
- 2. He will not suffer that thy foot be moved:
 Safe shalt thou be.
 No careless slumber shall His eyelids close,
 Who keepeth thee.
 Behold, He sleepeth not, He slumbereth ne'er,
 Who keepeth Israel in His holy care.

- 3. Jehovah is Himself thy Keeper true—
 Thy changeless shade,
 Jehovah evermore on thy right hand
 Himself hath made.
 And thee no sun by day shall ever smite,
 No moon shall harm thee in the silent night.
- 4. From every evil shall He keep thy soul,
 From every sin:
 Jehovah shall preserve thy going out,
 Thy coming in.
 Above thee watching, He whom we adore
 Shall keep thee henceforth, yea, for evermore.

41. PSALM CXXII.

- I joy'd when to the house of God, Go up, they said to me.
 Jerusalem, within thy gates our feet shall standing be
- 2. Jerus'lem, as a city, is compactly built together: Unto that place the tribes go up, the tribes of God go thither:
- 3. To Isr'el's testimony, there
 to God's name thanks to pay.
 For thrones of judgment, ev'n the thrones
 of David's house, there stay.
- Pray that Jerusalem may have peace and felicity:
 Let them that love thee and thy peace have still prosperity.
- 5. Therefore I wish that peace may still within thy walls remain,
 And ever may thy palaces prosperity retain.
- Now, for my friends' and brethren's sakes, Peace be in thee, I'll say.
 And for the house of God our Lord, I'll seek thy good alway.

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PSALM CXXIV.

1. Now Israel
may say, and that truly,
If that the Lord
had not our cause maintain'd;
If that the Lord
had not our right sustaine'd,
When cruel men
against us furiously
Rose up in wrath,
to make of us their prey;

2. Then certainly
they had devour'd us all,
And swallow'd quick,
for ought that we could deem;
Such was their rage,
as we might well esteem.
And as fierce floods
before them all things drown,
So had they brought
our soul to death quite down.

3. The raging streams,
with their proud swelling waves,
Had then our soul
o'erwhelmed in the deep.
But bless'd be God,
who doth us safely keep,
And hath not giv'n
us for a living prey
Unto their teeth,
and bloody cruelty.

4. Ev'n as a bird
out of the fowler's snare
Escapes away,
so is our soul set free:
Broke are their nets,
and thus escaped we.
Therefore our help
is in the Lord's great name,
Who heav'n and earth
by his great pow'r did frame.

43.

PSALM CXXV.

- They in the Lord that firmly trust shall be like Sion hill,
 Which at no time can be remov'd, but stand for ever will.
- 2. As round about Jerusalem
 the mountains stand alway,
 The Lord his folk doth compass so,
 from henceforth and for aye.
- For ill men's rod upon the lot
 of just men shall not lie;
 Lest righteous men stretch forth their hands
 unto iniquity.
- 4. Do thou to all those that be good thy goodness, Lord, impart;
 And do thou good to those that are upright within their heart.

44.

PSALM CXXVI.

- When Sion's bondage God turn'd back, as men that dream'd were we.
 Then fill'd with laughter was our mouth, our tongue with melody:
- They 'mong the heathen said, The Lord great things for them hath wrought.
 The Lord hath done great things for us, whence joy to us is brought.
- As streams of water in the south, our bondage, Lord, recall.
 Who sow in tears, a reaping time of joy enjoy they shall.
- That man who, bearing precious seed in going forth doth mourn,
 He doubtless, bringing back his sheaves, rejoicing shall return.

45.

PSALM CXXX.

Lord, from the depths to thee I cry'd.
 My voice, Lord, do thou hear:
 Unto my supplication's voice
 give an attentive ear.

- Lord, who shall stand, if thou, O Lord. should'st mark iniquity?
 But yet with thee forgiveness is, that fear'd thou mayest be.
- I wait for God, my soul doth wait, my hope is in his word.
 More than they that for morning watch, my soul waits for the Lord;
- I say, more than they that do watch the morning light to see.
 Let Israel hope in the Lord, for with him mercies be:
- And plenteous redemption is ever found with him, And from all his iniquities he Isr'el shall redeem.

46. PSALM CXXXII.

- We'll to his tabernacles go, and at his footstool bow.
 Arise, O Lord, into thy rest, th' ark of thy strength and thou.
- 2. O let thy priests be clothed, Lord, with truth and righteousness; And let all those that are thy saints shout loud for joyfulness.
- 3. For God of Sion hath made choice; there he desires to dwell.

 This is my rest, here still I'll stay; for I do like it well.
- Her food I'll greatly bless; her poor with bread will satisfy.
 Her priests I'll with salvation clothe her saints shall shout for joy.

47. PSALM CXXXIII.

 Behold, how good a thing it is, and how becoming well,
 Together such as brethren are in unity to dwell!

- Like precious ointment on the head, that down the beard did flow,
 Ev'en Aaron's beard, and to the skirts did of his garments go.
- 3. As Hermon's dew, the dew that doth on Sion's hill descend: For there the blessing God commands, life that shall never end.

48. PSALM CXXXVI.

- 1. Praise God, for he is kind:
 His mercy lasts for aye.
 Give thanks with heart and mind
 To God of gods alway:
 For certainly
 His mercies endure
 Most firm and sure
 Eternally.
- 2. The Lord of lords praise ye,
 Whose mercies still endure.
 Great wonders only he
 Doth work by his great pow'r:
 For certainly, &c.
- 3. Who hath remembered us in our low estate;
 And us delivered from foes which did us hate:
 For certainly, &c.
- Who to all flesh gives food; for his grace faileth never. Give thanks to God most good, the God of heav'n, for ever: For certainly, &c.

49. PSALM CXLIII.

1. Oh, hear my prayer, Lord, and unto my desire
To bow thine ear accord,
I humbly thee require;
And, in thy faithfulness
unto me answer make,
And, in thy righteousness,
upon me pity take,

- 2. In judgment enter not with me thy servant poor; For why, this well I wot, no sinner can endure The sight of thee, O God: if thou his deeds shalt try, He dare make none abode himself to justify.
- 3. Lo, I do stretch my hands to thee, my help alone; For thou well understands all my complaint and moan: My thirsting soul desires, And longeth after thee, As thirsty ground requires With rain refresh'd to be.
- 4. Lord, let my pray'r prevail, to answer it make speed; For, lo, my sp'rit doth fail: hide not thy face in need; Lest I be like to those that do in darkness sit, Or him that downward goes into the dreadful pit.
- 5. Because I trust in thee, O Lord, cause me to hear Thy loving-kindness free, when morning doth appear: Cause me to know the way wherein my path should be; For why, my soul on high I do lift up to thee.

50. PSALM CXLV.

- O Lord, thou art my God and King; thee will I magnify and praise:
 I will thee bless, and gladly sing unto thy holy name always.
- Each day I rise I will thee bless, and praise thy name time without end.
 Much to be prais'd, and great God is; his greatness none can comprehend.

- Race shall thy works praise unto race, the mighty acts shew done by thee.
 I will speak of the glorious grace, and honor of thy majesty.
- 4. Thy wondrous works I will record, by men the might shall be extoll'd Of all thy dreadful acts, O Lord: and I thy greatness will unfold.
- They utter shall abundantly
 the mem'ry of thy goodness great;
 And shall sing praises cheerfully,
 whilst they thy righteousness relate.

51. PSALM CXLVIII.

- The Lord of heav'n confess,
 On high his glory raise.
 Him let all angels bless,
 Him all his armies praise.
 Him glorify
 Sun, moon, and stars;
 Ye higher spheres,
 And cloudy sky.
- 2. From God your beings are,
 Him therefore famous make;
 You all created were,
 When he the word but spake.
 And from that place,
 Where fix'd you be
 By his decree,
 You cannot pass.
- 3. O let God's name be prais'd
 Above both earth and sky;
 For he his saints hath rais'd,
 And set their horn on high:
 Ev'n those that be
 Of Irs'el's race,
 Near to his grace,
 The Lord praise ye.





